

Regular Session of Village Council

December 12, 2023; 6:00 pm

Call to Order

The Regular Session of Council was called to order by Mayor York Bryant. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call

Roll Call was completed by Solicitor, John Kaspar. The following members were present.

Kiley Dane - A	Mitchell Fisher
Jim Frederick	Rebecca Isaacs-Niemesh
Mike McKeehan	Ben Steiner

Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting

Council reviewed the minutes of the previous meeting. Motion to approve November 6, 2023 Special Session made by Fisher; second by Frederick. All yeas. Motion to approve November 14, 2023 Regular Session made by Steiner; second by Fisher. All yeas.

Reports / Legislation from Village Officials

Monthly Village Fiscal Revenue Status by Fund Summary, Bank Reconciliation and Disbursements, Mayor's Court Report and Bank Reconciliation were provided for Council.

Village Officials

The Mayor thanked council and the public for working with him as a team to help bring Morrow out of debt and leaving the office of Mayor with \$1.9 million in the bank. The Mayor appointed Andrea Joffe to the Village of Morrow Tree Board for the next 3 years beginning January 1st, 2024.

The Administrator discussed an upcoming Community Development Block Grant due January 12th, 2024. The Administrator solicited thoughts from council. Some of those thoughts were a waterpark/splash pad at Phegley Park, add an AED device near the park restroom, and adding lights on the Railroad/Bike Trail Bridge that is being restored in 2024. The Administrator thanked the Mayor for his eight years of leadership and overseeing constant improvements of the Village including Phegley Park, the Water Treatment Plant, Paving, Depot improvements and the purchase of the shopping center.

Councilmember Isaacs-Niemesh thanked the Mayor and Kiley Dane for their service to the Village of Morrow. Isaacs-Niemesh extended special thanks to Agnus McIntosh, Beverly Day, the Salem-Morrow Fire Department and Trent and Lisa Heiman for their assistance and allowing the use of the 315 for the Community Christmas Dinner.

Councilmember McKeehan suggested ordering additional batteries for the two radar speed limit signs and thanked the Mayor for his service.

Councilmember Frederick thanked the Mayor for his service. He also stated that maintenance needs to be done on the culvert/drainage ditch on Thompson Street between Second Street and Pine Ridge Nursing Home. A routine maintenance needs to be scheduled for this area.

Councilmember Fisher informed council that Thornton Park has received donations to the Little Miami Youth Football League and Cheer Organization and will be adding lights to the park with our permission. Thumbs up vote was given. Discussion followed.

Councilmember Steiner thanked the Mayor for his time and service to the community.

Solicitor Kaspar thanked the Mayor for his service to the Village of Morrow and thanked him for the opportunity to work with him.

Open to the Floor

Paul Zorn thanked the Mayor for his service and asked to appoint a new member to the Tree Board, Billy Aszman, this was approved. Mr. Aszman recently planted the Buckeye tree at

Salem Elementary for Arbor Day and has a love for trees and the Village. Mr. Zorn also asked if the maintenance guys can place the 10-year Tree City signs up when possible. The owner of Fresh to Morrow thanked the Mayor and members of council for attending a recent event with US House Representative Greg Landsman.

Adjournment

Motion by Isaacs-Niemesh to adjourn; second by Steiner. All yea.

Tina Powell, Clerk of Council
& Fiscal Officer

Mitchell Fisher, Mayor